UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

MARCO PALAZZI, et al.,	:	**Civil Action No. 22-06278-BRM-AME**
Plaintiffs,	:	
	:	
v.	:	**MEDIATION ORDER**
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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,	:	
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Defendant.	:	
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THIS MATTER having come before the Court on the June 27, 2024 joint status letter, in which the parties requested that the Court "schedule a mediation session" [D.E. 63]; and the Court having determined that referral of this matter to mediation would serve the interests of justice and conserve resources; and, therefore,

IT IS on this 5th day of July, 2024,

ORDERED that this civil action is hereby referred to mediation pursuant to L. Civ. R. 301.1(d); and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of Court is directed to appoint Robert G. Marasco, Esq., a District of New Jersey Certified Mediator, as Mediator in this matter, subject to the Mediator's completion of a conflicts check; and it is further

ORDERED that the parties shall complete mediation within 90 days from the date of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that counsel and the parties shall participate in mediation and shall cooperate with the Mediator; and it is further

ORDERED that counsel and the parties (including individuals with full settlement authority as may be determined by the Mediator) shall attend mediation sessions as requested by the Mediator; and it is further

ORDERED that upon receipt of this Order, the parties shall contact the Mediator to schedule the mediation; and it is further

ORDERED that defense counsel is directed to provide the Mediator with copies of all pleadings; and it is further

ORDERED that this action is hereby stayed for 90 days from the date of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that within five days of the conclusion of mediation, the parties shall file a joint letter advising whether they have reached a settlement and, if the matter is not resolved, requesting that the Court schedule a status conference.

  /s/ *André M. Espinosa*
ANDRÉ M. ESPINOSA
United States Magistrate Judge

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